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<p>NO. 300. FOR \$30.</p> <p>This solid 8-kt. Gold, Engine-Turned, Hunting, Stem-Winding Watch.</p> <p>With a guaranteed American jewelled movement. Warranted a good timepiece.</p> <p>The BEST Watch Ever Offered for \$30.</p>	<p>NO. 301. FOR \$35.</p> <p>This solid 8-kt. Gold, Engraved Hunting, Stem-Winding Watch.</p> <p>With our "Standard" movement, which is a full plate, gilded lever, with 11 jewels, patent pinion, quick train and chronometer balance, marked on dial "Mermod, Jaccard & Co."</p> <p>The BEST Watch Ever Offered for \$35.</p>	<p>NO. 302. FOR \$45.</p> <p>This solid 10-kt. Gold, Engine-Turned, Hunting, Stem-Winding Watch.</p> <p>With our "Standard" Movement.</p> <p>This Dial bears our name, and is used on our Watches as a perpetual guarantee of good performance—the most perfect guarantee that can be given.</p> <p>The BEST Watch Ever Offered for \$45.</p>	<p>NO. 303. FOR \$60.</p> <p>This solid 14-kt. Gold, Engraved, Hunting, Stem-Winding Watch.</p> <p>With our "Standard" movement, which is a full plate, gilded lever, with 11 jewels, c. r. pinion, quick train and chronometer balance, marked on dial "Mermod, Jaccard & Co."</p> <p>The BEST Watch Ever Offered for \$60.</p>	<p>NO. 304. FOR \$75.</p> <p>This solid 14-kt. Gold, Richly Engraved, Hunting, Stem-Winding Watch.</p> <p>With the "Goodman King" Movement, which is a full plate, gilded lever, with 13 jewels, patent pinion, quick train and chronometer balance, marked on dial "Mermod, Jaccard & Co."</p> <p>The BEST Watch Ever Offered for \$75.</p>	<p>NO. 305. FOR \$100.</p> <p>This solid 14-kt. Gold, Richly Engraved Hunting, Stem-Winding Watch.</p> <p>With the M. & F. Co. "Railroad" Movement, which is a full plate, nickel lever, with 13 jewels, patent pinion, full jewelled (15 jewels) quick train and chronometer balance, marked on dial "Mermod, Jaccard & Co."</p> <p>The BEST Watch Ever Offered for \$100.</p>
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Boys' and Girls'
No. 313.
NICKEL, - - - \$8
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SOLID SILVER, \$10
All Stem-Winders, Fine.



NOTE PARTICULARLY OUR LOW PRICES FOR THESE PURE COIN SILVER, GENTS' WATCHES.

<p>No. 320. FOR \$9.</p> <p>This Pure Solid Coin Silver Hunting Watch, with our Key-Winding "Standard" movement, which is a full plate, gilded lever, with 11 jewels, patent pinion, quick train and chronometer balance, marked on dial "Mermod, Jaccard & Co."</p> <p>The Best Value Ever Offered for \$9.</p>	<p>No. 321. FOR \$13.</p> <p>This Pure Solid Coin Silver Hunting Watch, with our Key-Winding "Standard" movement, which is a full plate, gilded lever, with 11 jewels, patent pinion, quick train and chronometer balance, marked on dial "Mermod, Jaccard & Co."</p> <p>The Best Value Ever Offered for \$13.</p>	<p>No. 322. FOR \$18.</p> <p>This Pure Solid Coin Silver Hunting Watch, with our Stem-Winding "Standard" movement, which is a full plate, gilded lever, with 11 jewels, patent pinion, quick train and chronometer balance, marked on dial "Mermod, Jaccard & Co."</p> <p>The Best Value Ever Offered for \$18.</p>	<p>No. 323. FOR \$23.</p> <p>This Pure Solid Coin Silver Hunting Watch, with our Stem-Winding "Goodman King" movement, which is a full plate, gilded lever, with 13 jewels, patent pinion, quick train and chronometer balance, marked on dial "Mermod, Jaccard & Co."</p> <p>The Best Value Ever Offered for \$23.</p>	<p>No. 324. FOR \$28.</p> <p>This Pure Solid Coin Silver Hunting Watch, with our Stem-Winding "Railroad" movement, which is a full plate, nickel lever, with 13 jewels, patent pinion, full jewelled (15 jewels), quick train and chronometer balance, marked on dial "Mermod, Jaccard & Co."</p> <p>The Best Value Ever Offered for \$28.</p>	<p>No. 325. Nickel for \$8</p> <p>The best Stem-Winding Nickel-Case Watch for the price in the world. Warranted to give enough time.</p>
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MURDER OR SUICIDE?

The Mysterious and Fatal Shooting of Hand-some Nellie Southwick.

By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.
New York, December 17.—Handsome Nellie Southwick, once a jolly village girl of Glen Falls, N.Y., lies dead in the Twentieth street police station, with a revolver bullet in her left breast. Robert Montgomery, a salesman for the Jordan L. Gott Iron-works, of 88 Beckman street, is under arrest in the same station-house on suspicion of having murdered her. Montgomery rented the second floor front room of 255 West Twenty-first street last April. In July Nellie Southwick came to live with him as his wife. She set up in business as a dressmaker and did her share towards her own support. She was a plump and prepossessing woman about 35 years of age. She had thick brown hair, gray eyes and a plump and pleasing figure. Montgomery is an ordinary looking man 35 years of age. Montgomery passed the woman off as his wife to such friends as he met. They lived together happily and contentedly until a few days ago, when Montgomery asked the young woman what had become of a diamond ring that he had given her. He charged her with having pawned it. They had some words about the matter and then dropped the subject. Last evening Montgomery renewed his charges about the ring. The young woman cried bitterly and acknowledged that she had pawned the ring for the purpose of getting money enough to buy him a handsome Christmas present. She had some of her own earnings to put with the money received from the ring. At about 7:30 last evening Montgomery, who usually spent his evenings at home, went out to several saloons, where he drank a quantity of whiskey. He returned home at midnight to find Nellie sound asleep. He then went to bed. This is Montgomery's story as told by himself.

In the early gray of the morning Peter Milburn, who was watching by the bedside of his sick child, saw a dark shape slip out of the corner of the back yard. He called to his brother-in-law, Samuel Swayne, and asked him to see what it was. Swayne went down stairs and out into the yard. He found Nellie Southwick lying dead with a bullet-hole in her left breast. A .38-caliber revolver was lying near. It seemed as though the young woman had knelt down on the porch to pray and had then shot herself through the heart. She had fallen forward upon her face. Her clothing near the wound was tinged with blood. A policeman came in after while to arrest Montgomery, who was found apparently sound asleep in bed. Montgomery was first struck on the mouth and removed the body to the station-house. He was of the opinion that it was a case of suicide. Montgomery was for five years an actor in Mrs. D. P. Bower's company. He said that he had intended to marry the woman soon.

Boys' Tool-chests at

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HOTEL PERSONALS.

W. B. Townsend, Shelbyville, Ill., and D. B. Gurn, Chicago, are at the St. James.
John Loftund, Chicago; W. B. Cosby, Evansville, Ind.; and E. M. Smith, Philadelphia, are at the Hotel Barham.
E. J. Angell, Little Rock; J. M. Simonson, New York; W. M. Long, Chicago; and E. B. Berger, Rochester, N. Y., are at the Lindell.
John F. Marks, Baltimore; J. J. Pierson, New York; H. C. Goldman, Cincinnati; and W. F. Henderson, Los Angeles, are at the Flamingo.
F. P. Sargent, Terre Haute; C. M. New, Salem, Mo.; A. C. Robinson, Terre Haute; and L. B. Woodside, Salem, Mo., are at the Laclede.
A. D. McLeod, Cincinnati; J. H. Douglas, Chicago; M. L. Scovell, Shreveport, La.; P. Martel, Cedar Rapids, Io.; and John Macari, New York, are at the Southern.

A Missing Merchant Found.

By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.
MONTREAL, December 17.—Lawrence Rose, who has been missing for three weeks and who is supposed to have met with foul play on account of the large sum of money he had when last seen here, has been heard of in Portland, Me. All hope of finding him had been given up. Every place was searched, the newspapers on the mountain were dragged, and a snow-shoe party eighty strong had scoured the country in the vicinity of Mount Royal. It now transpires that Rose's reason for leaving was a financial misunderstanding with the firm of H. & J. Russell, of which he had lately become a partner. The members of the firm decline to say anything about the discrepancy. Rose has orders to hold Rose.

DIED.

ALBRIGHT.—On Tuesday evening, December 13, MELLIE, beloved wife of Theodore O. Albright, aged 26 years.
HARRIS.—On Saturday, December 17, at 3 o'clock a. m., ANNA, daughter of Patrick J. and Mary Harris, aged 7 years.
The funeral will take place Sunday, 18th inst., at 2 o'clock p. m., from family residence No. 2515 Garfield avenue, to Calvary cemetery. Friends of the family are invited to attend.
MCCULLOUGH.—JOHN MCCULLOUGH, my beloved husband, Friday, December 16, at 9 p. m., aged 64.
Funeral will take place Sunday, December 18, at 2 o'clock sharp, from the family residence, 2302 Dickson street, to St. Bridget's church, thence to Calvary cemetery. Friends of family are invited to attend.
Toronto and Minneapolis (Minn.) papers please copy.
O'CONNOR.—On Saturday, December 17, 1937, at 2 o'clock a. m., after a short illness, LEO A., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. O'Conor, aged 7 years, 11 months and 4 days.
Funeral will take place Sunday, December 18, 1937, at 2 o'clock p. m., from family residence No. 2044 Market street, from there to Calvary cemetery. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.
O'LEARY.—FRANK O'LEARY, at Dela Plais, Ark., October 20.
Funeral from Cullinane Brothers, 2719 and 2721 Franklin st., Saturday, December 17, so Calvary cemetery, 2 p. m.
SHACKOBER.—WILLIAM, the only son of Samuel S. and Catherine Shackober, at 11 a. m., December 17, at the age of 2 years 11 months and 17 days.
Funeral will take place at 413 S. 14th st., at 2 p. m. Sunday.
Tipton (Mo.) and Pittsburg (Pa.) papers please copy.

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"SILK OF THE OLDEN TIME" BLACK SILKS, at \$1.50 per yard; reduced from \$2.00.
HEAVY COLORED GROS-GRAIN DRESS SILKS, at \$1.00 per yard; reduced from \$1.25.
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COLORED and BLACK SILK RHADAME, at 75c yard; have been \$1.00.
PLAIN COLORED SILK VELVETS, all colors, at \$1.00 and \$1.25; marked down from \$1.25 and \$1.50.
PLAIN BLACK SILK VELVETS, at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00 per yard; never have been as low since the days of the silk worm.
LUPIN'S COLORED FRENCH CASHMERES, fresh goods, at 45c per yard; marked down from 65c.
LUPIN'S 40-INCH EXTRA SUPER FRENCH CASHMERES, at 55c and 60c; marked down from 70c and 75c.
LUPIN'S CELEBRATED BLACK CROW CASHMERES, 150 pieces, just imported, at 45c, 55c, 65c, 75c, 85c and \$1; the best black Cashmere ever made, and lower than ever.
COLORED FRENCH DRAP D'ALMA, and other French Dress Goods, marked down 40 per cent to clear out.
AMERICAN, FRENCH and GERMAN NOVELTY DRESS GOODS, marked down about one-half.
FRENCH and GERMAN SILK and WOOL DRESS PLAIDS, marked down from \$1 and \$1.25 to 75c and \$1.
FRENCH and ENGLISH BEAVER and VELVET SHAWLS are now within the reach of everybody.
VIENNA BROCHE and FRENCH CAMEL'S-HAIR SHAWLS, at lower prices than ever known in the trade.
100 dozen **LADIES' COLORED BORDERED HANKERCHIEFS**, new styles, at 5c and 10c apiece; were 10c and 15c.
100 dozen **LADIES' EMBROIDERED HANKERCHIEFS**, at 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50 each—a special importation; can't be equaled.
25 dozen **GENTS' White and Colored Bordered CHINA SILK HEMSTITCHED HANKERCHIEFS**, at 50c apiece; cheap at 75c.
25 dozen **GENTS' SILK and CASHMERE MUFFLERS**, in every style and quality, and at prices that can't be equaled in the city.
20 dozen **GENTS' LINED KID FUR-TOP and DOGSKIN DRIVING GLOVES**, special for the Holiday Trade.

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FINEST GOODS. LOWEST PRICES.

Manicure Sets, Dressing Cases, Shaving Sets, Collar and Cuff Boxes Infant Sets, Odor Cases, Cut-Glass Bottles, etc., etc. A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF NOVELTIES.
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MELLIER'S GERMAN COLOGNE—Plots, \$1.50; Half-Plots, 75c.
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SIMMONS HARDWARE CO.

HOODMAN BLIND!
Sunday, December 18, 1937.
The Great Wallack's Theater Success.
MR. Frederic De Belleville
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Miss Viola Allen.
SUPERB COMPANY! SPECIAL SCENERY! REALISTIC MECHANICAL EFFECTS!
Original Music by Mr. Edward Jones. All the Grand Scenic and Mechanical Effects, as originally used at Wallack's Theater, New York, will be presented in this city for the first time in its entirety.
MATINEES, WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY.
Sunday, December 18—SOL SMITH RUSSELL.

Sheriff's Sale!
By order of the Circuit Court, an
Immense Stock of Toys!

Dolls, Hobby-Horses, Shoo-Fly Horses, Boys' Tool Chests, Baby Carriages, Magic Lanterns, Drums, Sleighs, Sleds, Piano Lamps, Vases, Building Blocks, Mechanical Toys, elegant assortment of Fine Caps, Suncups, Plates, etc., etc. Fresh, new goods, all the Latest novelties, are now being sold AT RETAIL at stores
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THE Interest due January 1 on the First Mortgage Bonds of the Company will be paid at the office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Co., New York City, and interest on Income Bonds will be paid at the office of the Company as above.
O. L. GARRISON, Secretary.

THE LADIES HELPING HANDS
Will open a bazaar lunch room and cake sale on
MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1937,
At Lincoln Flats, Grand Av. and Olive St.,
for the benefit of "The Helping Hands," under the auspices of the following ladies: Mrs. M. F. Prall, Mrs. Aug. Frank, Mrs. Dr. Rosenheim, Mrs. J. J. Polak, Mrs. Ben. Zimmern, Mrs. Joel Swope, Mrs. H. Rosenheim, and many others.
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Monday, December 26, SANTA CLAUS presides, and every little visitor gets a present.

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Jardiniere, Fruit and Hanging Baskets for church and parlor decoration. The latest Parisian porcelain novelties beautifully made up with flowers for table and mantel ornaments. Also fine military of the very latest styles.
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2,500 Travelers' Samples Bought at 1/2 Price
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from the public domain and shipping the same out of the country, was dismissed yesterday under the statute of limitation.

Cardinal Gibbons at Baltimore yesterday ordained a large number of students at St. Mary's seminary for the priesthood. The students were from the Toronto and to minor orders. Those ordained to the priesthood were Stephen Hollander, John J. O'Connell, John J. O'Connell, Jr., John J. O'Connell, Jr., Robert J. O'Connell, Sr., Robert J. O'Connell, Jr., Edward Moran, Charles O'Reil and Peter York, San Francisco; George Karpis, Albany, N. Y., and Henry O'Grady, Mobile, Ala.

He Broke the Glass.

At 2:40 yesterday afternoon Theodore Loman, a Greek, living on No. 522 Elm street, ran into a large pane of glass which was being loaded into a wagon in front of Gray & Kahn's, 510 St. Charles.

He broke the glass and also broke his arm.

WITH EAGLE EYE.

HOW THE CITY OFFICIALS WATCH THE GAS COMPANIES.

As shown in the investigation at the City Hall—Five Tests Made in Two Years—Representative Ignorance of the Requirements of the Ordinance—A. Barnard, Pure and Simple, on the Witness-Stand—How Affairs Are Managed in the Street Department—A Funny Examination.

The Joint Committee of the Municipal Assembly on Gas Investigation yesterday poked into the preserves of the Mohan Inquiry Committee, which proposes to find out how officials earn their salaries. Nearly all the session was consumed in quizzing a barnacle and showing up the methods of the Street Department. These facts were established beyond question that although the city gas companies, which cost the city \$1,000 a year to make daily tests of the fuel furnished the city and private consumers that official has not made a half a dozen tests in nearly two years, the costly apparatus is fastened in cobwebs and frosted with rust at his office, No. 24 Locust street, for the rest of which premises the city is paying \$300 a year, besides incidental expenses. Facts of more importance than these developed. It appeared from the testimony elicited that this state of things has existed with the knowledge of Street Commissioner Turner, at whose command this inactive officer has held himself in respectful readiness.

The further fact developed that though filing the position of city gas expert the witness before the committee yesterday did not know what candle power was required by ordinance, and that on his reporting the fact that gas tested a short time ago was under the required figure the Street Commissioner and the Mayor took no action.

A meeting of the committee was called for 2 p. m. yesterday, but a quorum did not gather until 5 p. m. Councilman Nelson and Mayor Stone and Chamberlain Nelson, reporters, the House officials and

were the only persons present. The investigation did not promise to be sensational. After waiting for some witnesses to appear the committee met. Chairman Stone read up a paper and began reading the list of persons summoned by the committee. When he reached that of Thomas J. Calverley, he stepped forward at the invitation of the chairman, carrying in his hand a cane and a repellent frown, common to experts in all lines, on his countenance.

Chairman Stone opened the examination, and elicited the following testimony:

Name, Thos. J. Calverley, position, temporary gas inspector; salary, \$3.33 per month; office at 24 Locust street. Was first employed by the city about 1877. He had been out of the employ of the city during an interval of about three years, but he had been obedient to all orders of the Street Commissioner. He had stopped making gas tests in July, 1886, on the order of the Street Commissioner. He had made no since except five recently on application.

At this point the trouble for the witness began. He said he had made photometric tests; had reported for the city; had been told that his results were not accurate, as his apparatus was out of order.

"I made five tests," said the witness. The results showed an average of about seven and one-half or seven candle-power. The highest was eighteen and the lowest nearly sixteen. I made these tests, unknown to the Gas Company. Of course, a change of the quality of gas could be made by the city. You have heard a good many complaints concerning the quality of the gas furnished and have been added with a good deal of the most responsible, because with the name of gas expert I have not done any work. I said about July 1, 1886, the Street Commissioner ordered me to cease making tests. I don't know of any other regular tests since. Prior to that I had been making tests daily, reporting to the Street Commissioner and the Mayor. All the apparatus has been idle since July 1, 1886. I have since made some few tests on application, or on order, two of which were in Carondelet. Then made the examinations with my own apparatus. No. 1 can't see what the Water Gas Company is making and selling gas, but I believe it is. I have never been ordered to test that company's gas. I don't know of any reason for not making the tests. It would be impracticable to test the gas of the city, because you can't carry the apparatus around.

"Then why was your apparatus placed where it was," asked Mr. Stone.

"To be convenient for inspection of meters. It was once midway between the companies' offices."

"Do you know what candle-power is required?"

"I don't know the candle-power required by the ordinance. It was under the impression that when I found it 16th candle-power it was above the required candle-power. I thought that was the requirement of the ordinance. I am not familiar with that ordinance."

Mr. Nelson here took charge of the witness, whose testimony so far had been very unsatisfactory, especially owing to the fact that he had been ordered to stop making tests. He asked the witness to state the requirements of the ordinance. Mr. Nelson again took him over the term of his official career concerning which he said:

"I was appointed as Gas Inspector in '77 by the city. I was later promoted to the position of Gas Inspector in May, '86. I was appointed under this ordinance in May, '86. I inspected for about six weeks. Then I stopped requiring a daily inspection of the gas. I did not stop in spirit. I made a daily inspection for six weeks in April and May."

"What candle power did you find?"

"Between seven and eight."

"You were setting under this ordinance. Did you know that this ordinance required eight?"

"No, sir. I thought that didn't affect the ordinance."

"To whom did you report?"

"To the Street Commissioner and to the Mayor."

"Were you ever called upon to see that a higher candle power was furnished?"

"No, sir."

"At special request you recently made some tests?"

"I made some during the past month. They averaged about sixteen candle power."

The witness was excused, but as he left the chair stopped to volunteer a point, and met the fate of all volunteers who venture on the witness-stand. He said before the committee that the gas furnished is not over seven candle power. That all parties to this voluntary declaration have been brought to a standstill with the question:

"Do you not notice that gas was very poor last night?"

"Never paid any attention to it."

The following examination ensued:

"Have you noticed that several light-pollished public lamps was very poor. Was the gas up to standard?"

Several attempts to have the witness commit himself were futile. He finally said the gas furnished was not in candle power in his opinion.

By Mr. Monahan: "Who made the special request for recent tests?"

"The Street Commissioner ordered me to make them."

"In what capacity are you at present employed?"

"Temporary Gas Expert."

"Have the gas companies requested any tests?"

"No, sir; not for a long time now. None that I ever made were on official request from the gas company. They were only made for comparison."

"What have you been doing during the past thirty days?"

"I've been at the office, No. 24 Locust street, every day during the past thirty days and have called at the City Hall every day for orders."

"Do you draw your pay regularly?"

"Yes."

"Please state what services you render for this money."

"As present my work is very slim."

"Let us decide whether it's slim or it's thick. Tell us what you have done during the month of December that you expect to draw pay for."

"I don't know whether I have tested any cement or not."

"I am not limiting you to cement, what have you done?"

"I can't tell without consulting my book."

"Can't you mention one piece of work?"

"I made out the lighting card."

"How long did that take you?"

"Just a day."

By Mr. Nelson: "Have you any clerks or assistants?"

"You can't tell us of any other work you have done in the last thirty days?"

"In summer my work is enough for three men."

"No. I was going to explain that it slacks up in the winter."

"What work did you do in November?"

"I inspected some cement."

"How many barrels?"

"I can't tell without consulting my letter book."

"How many letters do you write during a day?"

"I don't know."

"Do you average one?"

"No."

"You are a candidate I believe for the position of Gas Inspector under the new ordinance?"

"I don't know."

"You are a candidate before the Council, and don't know the salary?"

"No, I don't know."

"Do you think that is sufficient remuneration for the duties of such an office, requiring skill and knowledge?"

"Yes, I think so," replied the witness. Deacon Nelson, like Councilman Nelson, let go at this point, and Delegate Stone, who had recovered his second wind again, grabbed the witness by the collar and asked:

"When did you receive your last order from the Street Commissioner, to whose orders you say you are obedient?"

"This morning."

"To make some tests of the gas now furnished the city?"

"Did Street Commissioner Turner make any reference in that connection to a resolution of the Council?"

"I don't remember exactly. He had a copy of it there, I think said he would have to answer it."

"What were you to report?"

"On the subject of the gas."

Neither Councilman Nelson or Judge Chamberlain Nelson requested sufficiently to take up the investigation. As he left the witness was accordingly excused. As he left the witness was accordingly excused. As he left the witness was accordingly excused.

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THE FASTEST ON RECORD.

The Steamer Etruria's Trip From New York to Queensland.

By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.

New York, December 17.—News was received to-day at the office of the Cunard Steamship Company that the steamship Etruria, which sailed from New York for Queensland last Saturday, had arrived at Fastnet town last Saturday, making the quickest eastward trip on record, the time being six days and two hours.

The next fastest time for the east-bound trip was made by the Umbria, which covered the distance in six days, four hours and forty-two minutes. The next fastest passage made by the Etruria was in six days, five hours and eleven minutes. The quickest westward passage made by any ocean steamship was made by the Etruria in 1885, the time being six days, five hours and forty-four minutes.

Temple Israel Bazaar.

The "Helping Hands," a newly-organized society of young people, propose to open a bazaar in Lincoln Plaza on Olive street near Grand avenue on December 19, 20 and 21 for the benefit of the Hebrew Benevolent Society.

Another special feature of each afternoon from 1 to 5 and every evening from 7 to 10 will be the sale of the proceeds of the bazaar will go to swell the fund for the Hebrew Benevolent Society.

The bazaar will be held on the premises of the Hebrew Benevolent Society, 225 North Second street.

Parents should not miss those suits and overcoats for boys up to 18 years, and being sold at the Globe for \$3.45, \$3.50 and \$3.75. They are great bargains.

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Adam Boeck has signed the real estate agents' agreement.

hood of 90, and his family at one time owned considerable property in the business portion of this city. He is a member of the Second Presbyterian Church and is a widely-read man on theology.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., December 17.—Senator Teller, Chairman of the Committee on Patents, in an interview to-day expressed an opinion that no international copyright law will be passed by this Congress. He believes that the chances of the people will derive greater benefits from the existing system.

CITY OF CHICAGO,
By JOHN A. ROACHE, Mayor.
VILLAGE OF HYDER PARK,
By D. A. FIERCE, President.
Chief Elmerold was then sent for and requested to remove his blue-coated guardsmen of the peace from the village hall.

BOY'S WARMS OF
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TRADE TOPICS.

SPECULATION IN STOCKS, GRAIN AND PROVISIONS DURING THE PAST WEEK.

Latest Tips and Anecdotes From Wall Street—Chicago Chat on the Conditions of That Flaming Market—Local Gossip and Remarks on the Markets—Notes of Interest in Financial and Commercial Circles.

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December 17.—One year ago this week Wall street had its famous Reading panic. How things boomed on the Stock Exchange before December 18, 1886, and how that boom petered out after and stays petered.

That panic, it will be remembered, was brought about by Morris Wormser, a 29-year-old youth. The Wormsers of Wall street are remarkably able manipulators. They are a combination with power enough to give them big slices in nearly every deal of consequence that pops up in the stock market.

Last year's Reading movement was handed over to them for management by the managers who were most interested, and a very pretty campaign they made of it. They fired the price of stock up quickly and a good way.

They alone had the secret of the powers really backing the scheme, and they were the secret secret. They puffed and hinted at great things, but nothing did they do to lessen the mystery which each moment grew more and more mysterious and, therefore, more influential.

In a little while about four score and a hundred houses were loaded up to the brim with Reading stock. Morris had gone into joint account with the whole Stock Exchange fraternity. He provided the points; the others supplied the cash for the margins. His point got endorsement in the market's movement and up went Reading's price. The headless boy was close to being a millionaire—on paper. Oh, what mockeries there are in that phrase. The lesson wasn't new, but the lesson didn't mind repeating itself, alas! on young Wormser's joint account. Confessors had profits of some thing like \$50,000, and they wanted to realize. "Oh, no," quoth Wormser, junior. "Oh, no, yet. The price is going a good deal higher yet."

But the joint account was narrow-minded. He plunged into the Stock Exchange and fired over his whole load all at once. Lord, what a smashing time there was right after! The quotation broke three or four points, much by accident. Other folks in the same joint account got fix and got out, and the game was followed. The stock broke thirty points. There was a panic. Old firms failed. The Reading deal fizzled. There was hardly a broker in the street who wasn't hurt more or less. Young Wormser's papa's profit was all wiped out.

A million shares of stock a day were nothing remarkable in those days for the aggregate Stock Exchange transactions. Now \$20,000 is considered up to the limit. The rate had fallen to \$140,000. To-day the rate was 100,000. The golden goose may not have been killed just December 17, but it is pretty badly wounded, just the same. The public has been away from the stock market since that time.

That led to the panic was too risky. It didn't require more than a mediocre ass to see how many are in that predicament. How far apart are market and intrinsic values, when manipulation is the little game. To-day not one-tenth of the brokers are earning as much as they did in the boom. The stock market is a little in its account. The stock market is a little in its account. The stock market is a little in its account.

George Gould is back from the West a burbling bull. Here is a statement of his opinions to be sent out by a prominent Stock Exchange firm to their customers on Monday, and there is no good reason why the Post-Dispatch shouldn't anticipate a little in its account. The stock market is a little in its account. The stock market is a little in its account.

The news from the National Capital is that the administration is in a state of confusion. The surplus is not reduced. The banks are all leading on the same line. The Treasury surplus is \$100,000,000. The Treasury surplus is \$100,000,000. The Treasury surplus is \$100,000,000.

George is doing the dignified now-a-days. He doesn't believe he has seen a prize fight since he was married, and he has become a model husband at home—he indulges never more in the de-lighted to read the papers. He has been stirred up a hornet's nest lately by pitching into Wash. Connor, his father's old Stock Exchange partner, who was posing as a bull is accused by Mr. Gould with making onslaughts. Missouri, Kansas & Texas securities, and denouncing the restoration generally by bear devices. Washington is said to have cabled a complaint to Europe, asking Jay to order George to "anchor his tongue."

That young Napoleon of finance, Henry S. Ives, as my daily dispatches have told you, has popped up again. He is jerked into a police court, charged by a Cincinnati man, Julius Dexter, with stealing \$100,000 from the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad. He denies the charge, marshals half a dozen lawyers, breaks Dexter up in the present nation racket, and gets notice this afternoon that the judge before whom he was remanded finds him innocent. This so does not bother the young man, who three years ago was a clerk at \$15 a week, and last summer failed with liabilities of \$1,000,000, that he had a summons issued this afternoon for Dexter in a damage suit of \$100,000. He is in now, he says, to make an aggressive fight against the man who has been "persecuting him." They include most of his old confederates, men of wealth all over the country. He is sure he will make them very weary. It isn't hard to believe that many, by accident, perhaps, by speaking the words this time, will be making a fortune. He supposes that this boy of 34 would have been able to do in Wall street in millions of schemes had he been anything else than a finance man and other bigger folks.

Famous Mrs. Hettie is showing C. F. Huntington what it is to kick against the pricks when she isn't in a humor to be quizzed. Wall street is showing her the special row just now is whether Hettie, who never sacrificed to a knavery, will consent to a reorganization. The Houston & Texas Central Railroad on terms that do not please her. She has \$1,000,000 in bonds, and if C. F. wants peace he will have to buy them and pay all they're worth, and a little more besides.

William K. Vanderbilt, second son of the dead great William K., and the duke of the family, is to live in Europe hereafter. On the

side of the water rude folks have always been mixing him up with his lackey, so intensely English, you know, have been the make-ups of the past.

A New York bank is in trouble, so the bears are whispering quietly, and the Comptroller is gunning for financial magnates who haven't been "conservative."

Millionaire Russell Sage's brother died the other day in Troy. The reason Sage didn't go to the funeral, so Wall street cynics say, was because, though he has a pass over him, New York Elevated to the New York Central Depot, and over the New York Central Road to Troy, the street-car company up at Troy is narrow-minded and does not extend courtesies as truly as they might. He is the New York papers printed a letter the other day from a hotel proprietor, which in substance said: "I'll agree to pay for Russell Sage's lunch every day if you newspaper men will just stop printing the stories about him. It is too stinky to buy one for him."

The exclusive information that the Post-Dispatch had last week of the purposes of tariff-reformers, Republicans, Republicans and bear speculators to begin an anti-tariff-reform campaign by shutting down iron mills by wholesale, gets daily corroboration. The introduction of a tariff-reducing plan in Congress is to be the signal for this aggressive movement.

Here, for serious provender, is the Chronicle's weekly review boiled down: Money on call is 5 per cent, with the average 4 per cent. Out of town institutions making some time loans at 5 per cent for thirty days and at 6 per cent for three, four and five months. City banks, however, are lending no money, either on call or time, at less than 6 per cent, and they report the same very active. The cotton exports were \$5,500,000 more than in November last year, but the total of breadstuffs, provisions, cotton and oil increased only \$1,500,000. Gross earnings of sixty roads for the month of December were \$4,075,404, and net increased \$1,219,216. For the ten months, fifty-seven roads increased, gross, \$8,542,221, and net, \$5,678,628. The last half of the year has shown a very sharp falling off in net earnings. Of the increase for October, the Pacific roads (eleven) gained \$900,441, and the Coal roads (seven), \$553,797, or, in all, \$1,454,238. The increase for the ten months, fifty-seven roads increased, gross, \$8,542,221, and net, \$5,678,628.

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QUESTION CONTEST

OUR QUESTION CONTEST.
The Great Intellectual Tourney Gradually
Nearing Its End.

The third week of the question contest is at an end, and the names of competitors who attempted to answer the latest set of queries are printed to-day. The winner of this week's prize will not be announced until next Sunday, and in order that there may be a fair and impartial count for the series prizes all contestants are requested to repeat their answers from 1 to 40 in their communications this week. The present credits will be of no use for the series prize, which will be made December 29, will be based upon the answers, repeated or otherwise, received by the time the contest closes. Competitors whose names appear with fewer credits than are really due them for the series will be credited with the number of credits shown in their communications of the number of credits given in the POST-DISPATCH of December 4.

21. Tennessee, in "Lockeay Hall," has
Better fifty years of Europe
Than a cycle of Cathay.

What is a "cyclo of Cathay"?
 29. What is a second cousin?
 30. If a block of ice 9 feet long, 5 feet wide and 3 feet high is taken to water, what will be the weight of the water?
 31. Who were the Varangians?
 32. What is the origin of a popular belief at the supernatural gifts of a seventh son of a seventh son?
 33. What did the game of checkers originate?
 34. Under whose leadership was the second city in the United States founded?
 35. What is the origin of the legend of the "Red Piper of Hamelin"?
 36. After Joseph's coat what is the most noted patched garment in history, and how?
 37. What is the origin of the name "Pied Piper"?
 38. When and why did English ladies petition their King to prohibit the use of coal?
 39. What was the prize for the first person who won the special \$10 prize for the second set of questions, was sent a check for the amount

The following are the competitors who sent in answers to the third set of questions:

Letters received at the Post-Dispatch office from the following competitors are entitled to the marks placed opposite their names:

Wm. P. Carties.	Willie Floyd, 3.
Wm. Cummins, 14.	J. P. Biako, 6.
Mrs. W. S. Haddaway, 5.	E. O. Mathews, 11.
Wm. Benn, 5.	Carrie Dowd, 4.
Wm. C. Tolson, 10.	Wm. B. Brown, 8.
Willa Toepel, 21.	Frances Curry, 3.
L. C. Morgan, 10.	Charles Pascoe, 19.
Wm. C. E. Cox, 14.	Wm. C. Packard, 5.
Jared Furth, 9.	Ella Williams, 5.
Willie Mueller, 1.	Ida Cox, 4.
Wm. A. Harty, 1.	Dotty Grace, 8.
Essie M. Crawford, 4.	Wm. C. 11th st., 12.
Wm. Gottlieb, 3.	Frank Lehner, 8.
Wm. C. Low, 2.	S. J. L., 11.
Wm. Francis, 7.	Wm. C. Morgan street, 13.

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Telegraph to the Post-Dispatch.
HARRISBURG, Pa., December 17.—Daniel Crawbaugh, who resides near here and whose aim is having invented the telephone will be

recently passed upon by the Supreme Court of the United States, is now at work on a wonderful invention. He says it will be useful in time of war, whether on land or sea. It consists of an electrical contrivance by means of which, in the presence of large bodies of troops on land or ships, or in water can be detected within a distance of ten miles. A general of the army with this contrivance in his tent can tell by its peculiar action if the enemy is near and prepare to give him a warm reception. The commander of a war vessel can tell the approach of a vessel, hostile or otherwise, and can be warned of the approach of a torpedo boat, causing sufficient friction to establish a current that will cause the indicator to sound the alarm.

SHE WAS A BAD WOMAN.

Hattie Washington, Who Blackmailed Respectable Citizens of Atlanta.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE POST-DISPATCH.

ATLANTA, Ga., December 17.—Mayor Collier occupied the Recorder's chair this morning, and one of the cases brought before him was that of Hattie Washington, colored, charged with disorderly conduct, the prosecutor being Marrietta street merchant. The evidence developed the fact that the woman assaulted a merchant a number of times on the streets with rocks and sticks, and had attempted to blackmail him upon various occasions.

...and Mattie was a fire-brand in any community, and Mattie's character was safe if she took a chance to extort money from him.

For two years she had succeeded in getting money from several respectable citizens, who would rather give a few dollars than be brought into the courts, no matter how innocent they may have been. Mayor-Pro-Tem Walker did not take long to reach a decision, and he handed her a fine of \$25 against the defendant, sent her to the rock-pile for thirty days and put her under a \$300 bond to answer the charge of blackmailing in a higher court.

HOPELESSLY CRAZY.

The Young Woman Who Was Overcome by the Acting of Clara Morris.

Telephone to the Post-Dispatch.
WASHINGTON, D. C., December 17.—Miss
Horton, the young girl who was over-
come by the tragic acting of Clara Morris in
"Article 47," Thursday evening, and be-
came insane, has been examined, and found
to be hopelessly crazy. She declares that her
own life is a parallel to the one portrayed in
the play, the Creole, in the play, and she fears
the same fate. Upon the certificate of the ex-
amining physician she was committed to the
asylum this afternoon.

One of those extra fine \$35 tailor-made suits and overcoats for \$18, at the
GLOBE, 706 to 713 Franklin avenue.

A Shrewd Canadian Scheme.

Telegraph to the POST-DEPATCH.

MONTREAL, December 17.—Dispatches from Ottawa state that Parliament will meet on January 31. This is considerably earlier than usual and the scheme is plain. Parliament summoned early so that business may be rushed through and the session closed before the Commission has finished its duties. In this way the Government will have disposed for a year, at least, of a very unpleasant question, and thus get a



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CINCINNATI SENSATION.
An Attempt to Be Made to Indict Mayor Smith.
By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.
CINCINNATI, O., December 17.—Rumors were current this morning that an attempt will be made to indict Mayor Smith, together with the late Clerk of the Police Board, Dr. Johnson. Mayor Smith sent Johnson to Kentucky to buy horses, and Johnson's return, the Mayor approved the bills which were afterwards declared fraudulent. Johnson was discharged, and the matter dropped until last night, when Prosecutor Pugh asked for the papers in the Johnson investigation, thus starting the report of Mayor Smith's arrest.

Defense is the same as that for which Charles D. Furse is now under sentence to the penitentiary for two years. Prosecutor Furse when questioned about a probable indictment against Mayor Smith replied: "Wait till the Grand Jury reports and you'll know all." The same day Mayor Smith was arrested by the police and his late clerk, Dick Johnson, was arrested at a secret meeting of the Citizens' Hundred. The Mayor was taken to the city jail in the morning, when questioned about the jurors. "Oh, I did not attach any importance whatever to such stories. My connection with the matter and has always been open and above board."

Teachers—Borston, Richardson, Kelly, the
han, Bauer, Hogan and Holmes.
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Miller.
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Dotler.
Library—Messrs. Hogan, Cudmore, Knight

WHY PRIESTS SHOULD WED.
Preacher Fulton's Publishers Agree to Publish His Book.
 By Telegram to the POST-DISPATCH.
 BOSTON, Mass., December 17.—The controversy between Rev. Justin D. Fulton and Hand, Avery & Co., publishers, concerning the latter's refusal to print the preacher's work, "Why Priests Should Wed," because of its obscenity, is as good as settled. Fulton offered to leave the subject of obscenity to commission, and named the Attorney-General of Massachusetts, who refused to pass judgment.

Fulton then went to New York to see Anthony Comstock about it. Comstock read the copy and writes that he believes Fulton's motive is to be honest and right, and the facts he has collected to be true, as supported by many living witnesses. The New York censor of public morals suggested that Fulton keep out of his work whatever is sensational or any description of these wrong-doings of either priest or nun. The publishers, now that the work is out for publication, will print it.

A MIMMANAGED INSTITUTION.

Gross Outrages Perpetrated at the Cook County Insane Asylum.

By Telegraph to the POST-DISPATCH.

CHICAGO, Ill., December 17.—There will doubtless, soon, be a radical change in the government of the Cook County Insane Asylum. Gross outrages are said to have been perpetrated there lately, an insane woman having been murdered by another patient and buried in the asylum graveyard. After her death her friends sent for her body, but were informed by Supervisor Cottle that they would have to be paid \$5 for raising her body despite the fact that he is an employee of the county. These gross and dubious outrages have caused a vigorous investigation to be ordered by the Public Committee. A long letter from the Reform Committee of the Chicago Woman's Club

A Boom for Vincennes.
BY TELEGRAPH TO THE POST-DISPATCH.
VINCENNES, Ind., December 17.—John F. La of Xenia, Ill., to-day closed negotiations with George Fyfield and the Board of Trade, this city, and will remove his extensive woolen mills to Vincennes and consolidate with Fyfield in the manufacture on an extensive scale of various woolen fabrics, forming a capital stock of \$25,000.

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TO ADVERTISERS.

Owing to the early departure of the fast-mail train, advertisements for the SUNDAY MORNING POST-DISPATCH must be in the office before 9 o'clock Saturday night to insure insertion.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

- Temple Israel—Sunday Lecture, 10:30 a. m., Dr. J. H. Schell, "The Main Principle of the Bible." Free.
- St. George's Church, corner of Belmont and Chestnut streets, Rev. Robert H. Schell, Pastor, Sunday School at 10:30 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 7:30 p. m. Morning prayer and sermon by the pastor at 10:30 a. m. Free.
- Rev. William Johnson will preach at 10:30 a. m. in the church corner of Belmont and Chestnut streets. Free.
- Second Baptist Church, corner of Locust and Belmont (27th) sts., Rev. J. H. Schell, Pastor, Sunday School at 10:30 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 7:30 p. m. Morning prayer and sermon by the pastor at 10:30 a. m. Free.
- Society for Ethical Culture—The third lecture in the series of addresses on "The Ethical Culture Movement," by Dr. J. H. Schell, at 8 p. m. Free.
- St. Mark's English Evangelical Lutheran Church, Belmont and Chestnut streets, Rev. J. H. Schell, Pastor, Sunday School at 10:30 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 7:30 p. m. Morning prayer and sermon by the pastor at 10:30 a. m. Free.
- St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Belmont and Chestnut streets, Rev. J. H. Schell, Pastor, Sunday School at 10:30 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 7:30 p. m. Morning prayer and sermon by the pastor at 10:30 a. m. Free.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE.

The Trades.

WANTED—A good bread baker, bakery or hotel, 1000 to 1500 per month. Address 1234 N. 1st St.

Cooking.

WANTED—Situations by a young man as cookman; or general work around the house; twelve years experience; the best of references. Address 2345 N. 2nd St.

Boys.

WANTED—Situations by a boy of 18 willing to do any kind of work. Address 709 N. 7th St.

Miscellaneous.

WANTED—Situations by a young man as a waiter, or as a general helper in a restaurant. Address 1234 N. 1st St.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALES.

Clerks and Saleswomen.

WANTED—A situation as cashier or saleswoman, 1000 to 1500 per month. Address 1234 N. 1st St.

Stenographers.

WANTED—Situations by a stenographer, typewriter, etc., by a lady. Address 1234 N. 1st St.

Dressmakers and Seamstresses.

WANTED—A place as seamstress; no objection to children or light housework. Add. P. 28, this office.

Teachers, Companions, Etc.

WANTED—A position of trust, the care of one or more children of school age; widower's family; preferred. Address 1234 N. 1st St.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE.

Dressmakers and Seamstresses.

WANTED—Girls to sew on coats at 210 Miller st.

Miscellaneous.

WANTED—A girl to take care of children at 1234 N. 1st St.

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DRESSMAKING.

ACKNOWLEDGED: The only reliable one in the city, this actual measure, 2100 Broadway, General Dressmaking, alterations, etc., call at 1234 N. 1st St.

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ADVERTISE your wants in "Sunday Morning Post-Dispatch."

DANCING.

PROF. R. M. ADAMS' dancing academy, National Association of Teachers of Dancing, 1234 N. 1st St.

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MONEY WANTED.

WANTED—Young business man wants to borrow money. Address 1234 N. 1st St.

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BOARD AND LODGING WANTED.

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MISCELLANEOUS WANTS.

WANTED—Exchange membership. Apply at 1234 N. 1st St.

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Advertisements under the head of "PERSONAL."

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WASHINGTON SOCIETY.

WHAT THE SOCIAL CUSTOMS OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL ARE.

An Interesting Article by Mrs. John A. Logan—The Official Calling—When the President and His Family Receive—Why Washington Society Differs From All Other—How It Is Believed.

Written for the POST-DISPATCH.

WASHINGTON, December 17.—Much has been written and said of Washington society that is unjust and libelous. That there are persons who mingle with the most refined that are in elegant and in all respects uninteresting is true. At the same time they are in no sense improper people, but lack the polish and elegance of polite society. Some fortune hunters suddenly snatched them from obscurity and often adversity, they are unprepared for the transition, and hence are not unfrequently the subjects of criticism and amusement. Their blunders and uncouthness subject them to the ridicule and, in some cases, to the disgust of the refined and more fortunate. And yet these instances are not as numerous as can be found in the great commercial cities of the country, where fortunes are made as if by a magician's wand. In no city in the Union can there be gotten together, as many agreeable, intelligent and distinguished people as there can be summoned any day in Washington. If a celebrity visits this city unexpectedly, and one of its citizens desires to entertain him either at dinner or by a reception, he can, within a few hours, command the presence of a charming and edifying company. Americans are so cosmopolitan that they are ever ready for anything with all the enthusiasm and good cheer of our inhospitable social people.

Persons who have traveled all over the world and mingled with the best and greatest of every nation, and who have by education and observation become masters of the art of entertaining, have found here the most congenial society.

From the ablest jurist to the obliging politician, and from the first lady of the land to the debutante in the social world, there is that native politeness and kindness of heart that underlies all civilities in American society and secures to the worthy a cordial greeting. Such welcomes beget politeness in the recipient, and instances of boorishness are very rare. And while official homes, from the President's down, are periodically thrown open to the public, few cross these thresholds who are unwelcome guests or have presumed beyond their privileges.

Diplomats from every country have at one time and another thrown open their houses for receptions and entertainments, and I think the complaints have been few that they were ever intruded upon by presumptuous people. The English, Russian, Japanese, Chinese, Spanish, Mexican and other ministers have entertained on a scale almost surpassing anything attempted by our own people in recognition of the courtesies extended to them. The social life of the capital is introduced to the customs of their own country, but prefer to give them much after the style of ours. Hence, persons seeking novelties are doomed to disappointment.

THE OFFICIAL CALLING.

Immediately after the assembling of Congress the official calling begins. Every official, from the Chief Justice down, must pay his respects to the President. This courtesy is performed by calling and leaving, and is usually received by the President usually receiving the caller, unless so much engaged, that the ladies of these officials must call in

person upon the presiding mistress of the White House. These calls can be made any time, but are usually made between the hours of 3 and 5 p. m. The hour is announced by the President and his family, as the time they will receive such calls, as has been done in some instances. Once every fortnight during the season the President receives in the evening, usually on Tuesday. The ladies and their guests staying in the White House formerly received every Saturday afternoon, latterly every alternate Saturday.

The Senate, House and other officials, civil, military and naval, with the ladies of their households, call on the members of the Supreme Court, the Speaker of the House and their families. The members of the House and the long list of officials in the Congressional Directory must make the first call on the Senators, the Speaker of the House, the General of the army and their families. Members of the House being next in rank, receive the first call from all other officials. All these first calls must be returned to the recipients, after which it is a matter of choice as to their repetition.

But persons extending invitations to any kind of an entertainment would not include the name of any person who had not made the obligatory first call. Hence most persons are very punctilious about the discharge of this first duty.

THE PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION.

On January 1 the season is inaugurated by the reception by the President and his family of all who desire to pay their respects. The reception is held in the East Room, and wearing all their medals of honor and orders, such occasions are always replete with pomp and circumstance. The President, in his brilliant dress and decorations of the Marine Band through the wide doorway across the corridor, through the Red Room into the East Room to give place to the President greets them, and they pass down the line of ladies, who stand like enchanting sentinels in the fairy tale, to add their greetings to the President's.

The homes of all officials and citizens are open on this day, unless closed by mourning or some unavoidable reason. From 'New Year's Day' till Ash Wednesday society claims everybody. The sackcloth and ashes of that day are hailed with delight by many who, in trying to accept all invitations, make all the calls and lose nothing of the gay calendar of the season, are on the verge of physical ruin.

While more moderation and less recklessness of one's health should be observed by many of the votaries of Washington society, there is in all these gayeties much that is delightful and that certainly tends to cultivate a spirit of harmony and good feeling. Extremes meet and are delighted with each other when they become acquainted. The tame and the shy are edited by the brilliant and accomplished whom they meet. There is an interchange of opinions and customs, and the world's antagonisms fade away and the refinements of civilization take the place of the barbaric customs of the olden time, for mankind must be entertained.

WHAT WASHINGTON SOCIETY IS.

Still, it is rather incomprehensible to one who has spent many years at the national capital why there is such an interest manifested in the social life of Washington.

It can only be attributed to the fact that here representatives from every nation and from every State in the Union are thrown together in the social life of the capital. The English, Russian, Japanese, Chinese, Spanish, Mexican and other ministers have entertained on a scale almost surpassing anything attempted by our own people in recognition of the courtesies extended to them. The social life of the capital is introduced to the customs of their own country, but prefer to give them much after the style of ours. Hence, persons seeking novelties are doomed to disappointment.

with their generous-hearted, liberal-minded, broad-brained spirit. The Middle States with their thrift and enterprising notions of political economy—present cosmopolitan representatives as unlike in all respects as those from foreign lands. Hence it is not astonishing that society here furnishes a many-sided kaleidoscope. On that account much more of interest is presented by these representatives than could be found in any city save the capital. In other cities, however large and aggressive, there are few topics that entertain or attract the many. Here the affairs of the nation, in which everybody has a personal interest, are ever under discussion. Our "foreign relations and domestic affairs" are as well understood by the society here as by the most intelligent people in any city. The proceedings of the two houses of Congress furnish interesting entertainment for young and old of both sexes. The movements of the principal actors in the political drama are the most curious and interesting to the society here. The social life of the capital is a matter of choice as to their repetition.

SOCIETY DEVOTES.

Then there are the devotees of society, old and young, men and women, who are sure of being gratified by a round of pleasure. Certain official courtesies are obligatory, and from faithfully observing these officials widen the range and so much for their own pleasure and that of their friends. Calls must be made in the morning, parties, dinners and receptions must be given to which the official set must be invited, and many others who are included in the favored list. Every all can be entertained in a private residence, even that of the President, in the problem hardest to solve. Where to draw the line is a question that has given more than one occasion to cause to worry, though the invitations "may be given to the thousands and the utmost capacity of the house could only accommodate the hundreds. A notable instance something had to be done. The White House, with its spacious halls and the ladies of their respective "families," could not receive invitations; the Supreme Court, Senators, members of Congress, the diplomatic corps, distinguished citizens and visitors having already swollen the numbers beyond the possible capacity of the Executive Mansion. An invitation to dine with the President takes precedence of every other, and no one is at liberty to decline unless prevented from acceptance by illness or some serious trouble. The state dinners, as the President's dinners are termed, are the most distinguished affairs of a social character at the Capital. Some of them have been unsurpassed in any country in elegance of appointment, length and deliciousness of menu. At receptions in the White House, brilliant lights, superb floral decorations, and the sparkling conversation and merry spirit of such a company make up the attractions. Refreshments are rarely offered on such occasions. The reception of the President Jackson's inauguration the evening of the 22nd of March, 1845, is a notable instance. Mrs. JOHN A. LOGAN.

A Big Coal Deal.

By Telegram to the POST-DISPATCH.

QUINCY, Ill., December 17.—The Wabash Coal Company of this city has just secured a deal for the coal privileges of 800 acres of land at Virden, Ill., paying therefor \$9,000. The purchase includes the coal privileges and all the machinery and apparatus of the mine, which are in good condition. From this mine the Chicago & Alton Railway and the Western Railroad take a vein of coal at the Virden mine is from 10 to 2 feet thick.

WINTER IN THE PARLOR.

HOW THE GAY WORLD ENJOYS ITSELF WHEN THE MERCURY HUGS ZERO.

The Modern Reception and How It Is Managed—High Teas and Their Features—Lunches and Their Various Distinctions—Card Parties—Wedding Anniversaries—Including the Paregoric Wedding, Which Died Young—How to Give Dinners—A Symposium on Tea, Coffee, Good Cheer and Favors.

PARLOR amusement now holds sway. The indoor fashionable season is now fully inaugurated. Parties, picnics, excursions, croquet, park riding parties, and lawn parties with refreshments all fresco are things of the past. The coquettish straw hat, the short striped costume in which some girls look so well, the sweep log riding habit, under which even epaulettes are accustomed to wear the pants, and the cheese cloth, truly rural, are packed away for many a long month. The "on" which he carried the name with his own knife is sent up to the garret, and the giglet and racket hang like the harp on Tara's walls.

The girls sigh and write a few verses about their "escapes from civic revelry to rural mirth," but they are soon comforted and begin the new regime. The old campaigner takes out the silks and velvets which have accumulated for so many months, under the corages of which hopes of rich husbands have sprung up and died out, and the debutante blushes and palpitates, a looking over her new things, as the idea of conquests in future. The ways society enjoys itself in winter are numerous and a few of them are detailed here.

RECEPTIONS.

The modern reception is the most popular of all entertainments. It is never exclusive. There you meet the collateral branches of the family, no matter who they are; and every one who has obliged or been useful to my lady for many a day. This crowd, if very extensive, can be invited from 3 to 5 in the afternoon. They naturally thin out by the time the velvet train, the point lace and diamonds drive up. These latter can be invited from 4 to 6 and, if desired, can have things very much so themselves. Some houses in the city can accommodate 800 guests, coming and going, during the afternoon. When a dense crowd is expected the more valuable articles of vertu are put out of sight, for fear of injury. The expense is comparatively small. Tea, coffee, chocolate and a variety of cakes are all in the way of refreshments. Pot plants and cut flowers are largely used, and a string band plays almost incessantly. The reception is a place, friendly, democratic affair, and it is up to the guests to make the most of it.

THE HIGH TEA.

The high tea comes next. It is more troublesome and expensive, and as the details elaborate, the invitations are less general. By common consent the string band has been abolished at this species of entertainment. It interrupts conversation, and a fine pianist is engaged instead. The toilets are of a different kind. For example, you can wear what you please to a reception. Grandma comes in her bombazine and the "bread-and-butter miter" in her Sunday cashmere. But you must either disport in something nice at a high tea or stay away. Salads and loaves are added to the menu, and the hostess brings out all her pretty things. Another entertainment follows, sometimes a regular cotillion dance, with a fresh supply of music and half a hundred swells in swallow-tail coats and lambs-tinted kids. Sometimes it is less assuming. What do the girls call it? Not an annex, or a cotillon, or a supplement. The lunch ranks third, as regards frequency, and it is given in infinite variety as regards style. This, too, has gotten to be an entirely feminine affair. Ladies of all ages are the guests. Here all are comfortably seated around the board and the waiters are usually instructed not to be in the way.

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LITERARY LUNCHEONS.

Lunches are sometimes literary in character. One lady gave a French and another a German lunch lately. These two foreign languages were spoken respectively. The men that waited at table made some criticisms, which shows that servants do not always know their places. There have been high seasons. Pink, blue, and yellow lunches, and as to the last, "thereby hangs a tale." A lady invited and her reply was "that she never would yellow," it being unbecoming to her complexion. In point of fact, the color of a lunch does not often reach the costumes of those that partake, meaning only decorations and fallacies of ladies that receive. A very determined young lady, however, carried her point in this respect, and seated twenty girls all in pink. Some of them were real beauties and put the roses on their cheeks, but this doesn't happen every day.

A LATE LUNCHEON.

A St. Louis lady once gave a late lunch. She wore a gown of violet velvet, and the guests were of some shade of purple. The menu was of fish, vegetables, eggs and confectionery. Meat was plentifully offered but there was a liberal supply of wine. Violets, white roses and lilies were the flowers, and the parlors were generally decorated with blue and white. There have been many lunches in connection with literary entertainments. The Annual give one annually and make speeches and read essays. They are the very "ground" for procreancy for the delectation of the poets' prophesy. The "sweet girl graduate" is particularly fond of lunches and has a good appetite not only for pickles and confectionery, but she can (as the phraseology is) "go away with best and potatoes." The pretty little lunches given by the young ladies are very frequent and

useful in their way as a gentle initiation. A dozen or more miles of 14, going gravely through the conventional meal from soup to coffee, and their antics can mean while in a mimic display of human nature very interesting to see. If (as we are told in books on etiquette) good table manners can only be acquired early in life, these little parties are a real adjunct in the matter of education.

Now we come to card parties, of which there are numbers given in the city every week. The progressive euchre party, though not the latest, holds its own in popularity. As books are written to explain and teach the rules are generally known in society. The prizes vary in value, but are frequently very handsome. One lady gave a \$100 for the prize at her party, a small watch being the first. Progressive hearts is the fashion just now, but in distribution of prizes, etc., is about the same. There are murmurings loud and deep in certain quarters against the growing taste for cards evinced by women. Those that would scorn to win a bill are unwillingly acquiescent over a \$10 prize, which is a distinction without a difference. A sprightly girl lately when admonished not to play any game of chance answered: "Then I must not marry, for that is the greatest lottery of all." If the card-party was abolished something just as objectionable would come up in its place, for women are hard on each other in the way of a flirtation, which should never come with an entirely empty stomach, you know.

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THE GIVING OF DINNERS.

The giving of dinners has always been esteemed the greatest of social talents. It is a delicate matter to seat twenty men and women at a table for three or four hours, who are not mutually agreeable. Entertainments of this kind have ever been a favorite resource of female politicians, as many a coup d'etat has been planned between the clatter of plates and the clink of glasses. A letter from Daniel Webster when Secretary of State, declining to meet a certain foreign minister at dinner, "because he wished to enter upon business untrammelled by the influence of bright eyes and good champagne. The menu of a dinner of the utmost importance. It must never approach vulgar profusion, but must be delicate and well cooked. It should be put in the general mode, that offense of interfering the digestion of a really great man. The subject to be discussed. This often results in a complete understanding between men of different views and conditions. The hostess meanwhile opens her eyes innocently and expresses wonder at the admiration for the sagacity of men. She plays with her spoon, shakes her head and finally says: "These men are so much for us women." The gentlemen are caught in a trap, but they don't know it. All dinners are so delicate, however, and so well cooked

occasionally accept an invitation without fear of the consequences.

There is no entertainment so easily got disgusted with as the birthday anniversary. A single lady, who used to have them before the war, says they should be banished from good society altogether. No gift of good judgment will have one after she is 15, or sooner or later she'll regret it.

Wedding anniversaries come as follows: In five years a wooden wedding, in ten a tin wedding, in fifteen a crystal wedding, in twenty a china wedding, in twenty-five a silver wedding, in thirty a golden wedding and in seventy-five a diamond wedding. Two golden weddings have been celebrated in St. Louis this fall, but a diamond wedding, never. A city druggist tried to inaugurate what he called a paragon wedding at the end of a year, but it has never been accepted in fashionable circles. With exception of the last, very artistic invitations are gotten up for all these entertainments.

BEAN BAG PARTIES.

Bean bag parties and donkey parties, which were affected by young ladies just out, have been abandoned to the nursery, where they properly belong. They are noisy, degenerate into romps, and engender a habit with the girls of falling into the boys' arms, which the latter complain of as embarrassing and unpleasant. In the way of a debut party occurred lately on Carr place, where a courtly gentleman of the old school sent out cards for the presentation of his daughters, saying that he preferred an English word in the society. It is a step in the right direction.

There is a substratum of principle under the frothy matter. It is an acknowledgment of the duty of hospitality enjoined by the ethics of the whole world. It is a power to curb the evil propensities. Those who deify it should reflect that "the gravest of birds will swallow a gravel of beans as well as the gravest of men a fool."

Vandalla Line, Holiday Rates.

The Vandalla Line will sell excursion tickets to all points on its line, also to Chicago, as one fare for the round trip. During the holidays also to Cincinnati for \$10.00. Tickets Office, 120 North Fourth street.

MRS. EDWIG NIEMANN SAABE.

Arrival of the Celebrated German Actress in New York.

By Telegram to the POST-DISPATCH.

NEW YORK, December 17.—Mrs. Edwig Niemann Saabe, the celebrated German actress, reached this city to-day on the steamship Elder. She was met at quarantine by her husband, Mr. Albert Niemann, the tenor of the Metropolitan opera-house, and Mr. Heinrich Conrad, under whose management she will appear in this country. Her engagements open at the Star, on the night of January 3, when she will begin a two weeks' engagement. Mrs. Saabe has made a reputation in French comedy-drama, and is now placed in the front rank of leading artists. She began her stage career when only 8 years of age in Magdeburg, Prussia. She is now in the prime of life and at the height of her popularity. She will make her first appearance here as Lord's in the comedy-drama, "Do not stand," adapted from Bernhard Auerbach's novelty, "The Frau Professorin." She will appear in several of Sardou's plays.

Study Two Men.

By Telegram to the POST-DISPATCH.

MIDDLEBURY, Conn., December 17.—John R. Henshaw, a prominent member of the Sophomore Class at the Wesleyan University, is now confined at the State Insane Asylum in this city, a victim of overstudy. He was taken ill several weeks ago, and went to his home in Middlebury, Conn. The first suspicion that his condition was serious was when he was watching the Wesleyan football team play a football game. He stood up and said he was trying to solve a problem which would enable him to win a prize and solve a problem.

ST. LOUIS, SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 18, 1887.

BILL NYE'S NEW DON'TS.

A FEW QUIET SUGGESTIONS GATHERED FROM A PHYSICIAN'S BOOK.

Warnings Worth a Place in Every Household—A Word to the Wise—Evil Effects of Sucking Candy-Heads and Sleeping With Your Feet Out of the Window—Jokes Between Mouthfuls at Meals.

R. FEUD, C. VALENTINE has just published a small, olive-green volume entitled "Six Hundred Don'ts." It is couched in a perfectly plain language, so that it may be readily understood by any plain, self-made man with a little common sense and a dictionary of medical terms in his pocket.

In a list of articles pronounced as difficult to digest I find buttered toast, salt meat, rice, soup, stale bread and apples. Among these articles are an elevated car, Valentine names grapes, grouse and partridges. So that poor people who wish to be well and strong and avoid indigestion should avoid buttered toast, salt meat, rice and stale bread, and eat mainly upon grapes, grouse and partridges.

This is really the first time that a New York physician has had the moral courage to come out and show people how to keep well and avoid doctors' bills. There can be no doubt that people in the lower walks of life are too poor to load themselves down with toast and apples, and a dozen nightgowns, tongues, with a little turtle soup and neapolitan ice-cream, are all they need.

Poor people often wonder why their doctor's bills are so great while the wealthy are rarely ill. This is due to the fact that poor people are too poor to eat salt pork and bread on an empty stomach and then neglect exercise.

A working man who has been resting in digesting the large subway tells me that he attributes his poor health to those causes, and says that if he had confined himself to grapes and grouse for the past ten years and then taken a canter across the country every forenoon on the hot trail of Don't Work Too Hard, light-running and domestic fox, instead of eating so much fried pork and bread and working instead of taking regular exercise in a Victoria, he might have been alive to-day.

There are many other things in this little book worthy of a place in every household, such as the don't No. 384, which reads: "Don't endeavor to remove substances from the nose with pins, hairpins, etc." A person who will put kernels of corn, unanointed lettuce or carrot pieces in his nose should call a physician and not undertake to remove them himself, as he might tear a hole in the roof of his mouth.

Quite a number of these don'ts wind up with the suggestion: "Don't do anything in such a case till a physician arrives." In order to avoid delay, Dr. Valentine puts his street and number in the book, and so that a person who dies in New York since the publication of this little volume really has no one to blame but him.

"Don't chew anything that you do not intend to swallow," says Dr. Valentine. This, however, does not mean a "chop" which is cutting his front teeth on a large, intellectual case.

Don'ts Nos. 69 and 71 refer to names of diseases, showing how the name "plague of 548" has been simplified, so that we know it now by the brief title of cerebro-spinal meningitis. His book also deprecates the custom of calling stomachache "gastro-enteritis," and it is right. People who are afraid to call stomachache by its proper name are liable to steal away to the hay-mow on Sunday and revel in the beautiful word-painting of Emily Zola.

Don't No. 87 tells us not to call us physicians otherwise than "Doctor." This, too, is right. Nothing sounds more in addressing a doctor, especially a Doctor of Divinity, than "Doc."

Dr. Valentine thinks that a true record of all cases should be kept in the family like those in the hospitals, but a very few of us have the time or command of language to keep an accurate diary of our personal record and other cases so that the future historian will learn to publish them. In case of a fatal termination, too, it would worry a parent and embarrass him to keep a reliable record of pulse, temperature and respiration toward the last. It would take a cool, methodical parent to do this by the death-bed of a child who had never injured him in any way.

"Don't indulge in idleness," says No. 104. Invalids are proverbially idle. People who are sick are too apt to neglect rowing, cock-fighting and pugilism in order that they may indulge themselves in the false and dawning desire for cloth.

Don't bathe immediately after a hearty meal in rivers infested by crocodiles. This is an extract from a book of my own.

Don't sleep in the cellar. Don't sleep in your cellar at night with nothing but a few vegetables over you, unless your wife's relations toward you have been strained through no fault of yours. Do not sleep there even to mollify and please your wife. Unless you are absolutely helpless, arise and assert yourself. I once knew of a man, however, who had his wife's dog's life. She got him.

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down into the cool cellar one day under some pretense or other, taking advantage of him at a time when his brain was bewildered by the fumes of rum, administered by his own hand. She then, in the intense darkness, tripped him up as he was snoring rapidly across the cellar, and then, where his stifled cries could never be heard by the outer world, she unbuckled his wooden legs, threw it into the furnace, and with a weird laugh which made the goose-flesh arise and protrude through his eyebrows, she stood remained in that condition for four days, when, with nothing in him but good resolutions and raw turnips, he came forth, and, in his poor weak way, signed the pledge and promised to live as a one-legged man should. This should teach us never to allow rum or our wives to get absolute control of our whole being.

Don't sleep during the summer months with your feet out at window. It closes the pores of the feet too suddenly, especially if the eash comes down on them in the night.

Don't sleep in an elevated car with your head on the breast of a lady upon whom you have not called, especially if you are very fat and partially drunk. Even if you have lived in New York for years and feel that you own the town and that too many people are coming here without getting a permit from Don't do this.

You, it is a bad practice to lean on the shoulder of a lady who is not acquainted with you while you sleep off your drunk, for she might have to leave the car suddenly when she gets to her station and thus, thoughtlessly, perhaps, break your neck.

(Some of the above Don'ts are suggested to my mind as I go along.)

No. 178 is the most sensible don't in the book referred to. I give it verbatim: "Don't forget that your heart has a certain number of beats to make in your life; to urge it to excessive work by alcohol or excitement is to abbreviate your existence."

"Don't insist on your patient taking food which is repugnant to him, unless you are the proprietor of a second-class hotel," ought to be in this book. Also the following: "Don't eat ice-cream that has stood in a tin all the forenoon while the pastor has been addressing the children in the grove, even though by so doing you may help on a good cause. Give the value of the ice-cream in money to the cause and feed your share of the cream to some one who is better prepared to die than you are."

Don't allow your servants to put meat and vegetables into the same compartment of the refrigerator; that is if you have sufficient political pull so that you are not afraid to talk to your servants equals, and surely there ought to be no reason why here in American an employer should feel abashed in the presence of his employees.

Don't drown your children just to gratify the morbid whims and caprices of the man who owns your flat or because he is opposed to children, believing that the American should maintain the strength and purity of his race mentally and physically by importing his literature and his descendants.

Don't try to blow the breech-pin out of an old gun unless you have a very strong breath and more brains than you are using.

Don't try to wrench loose the tail of an infuriated lion because you see it hanging out of its cage. They are putting the tails on lions this year more securely than ever, and he who is right to wear it outside his cage also, if it is more becoming that way.

Don't try to make an ocean voyage on an empty stomach.

Don't eat a meat meal. The only good feature about Anglomaniac is that our Anglo-manics are cultivating what they consider to be the taste of the able-bodied, high-priced and beefy English landlord for gamey meats.

In this way the buzzard and the Anglomaniac will soon all victims, their acquired appetites and become even extincter than they now are.

Dr. Valentine says: "Don't allow a meal to pass without a joke between each mouthful." This will enhance the value of American humor to a great degree, and he who has something like this: Mouthful of soup: "Did you ever see a horse fly? Ha, ha!" Mouthful of bread: "I think the Anarchists ought to be Austriated. He, he!" Bite of celery: "How did I get into the Garden of Eden? Give it up? Got in by Adam's Express?"

Don't know why a duck goes into the water? Large gobs of silence and more pensive eating. Domestic humorist answers it himself as follows: "For divers reasons." More bread, ice water and general good feeling. "Why does a butler get a cane?" No answer, and he says but an old joke under his belt, cracking its knuckles and getting ready to spring out and hit its heels together. "For sundry purposes," exclaims the reader and brainy man, looking casually at a memorandum on his cuff. More dinner, and then: "Why does he go in again?" Nothing can be heard but the low rumble of a thinker, perhaps at it grapples with the great problem, "To liquidate his bill!" Yells of laughter, screams of delight, and astonishing feats of digestion promoted by mirth. "And why does he go in again?" 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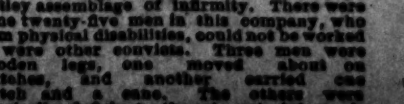
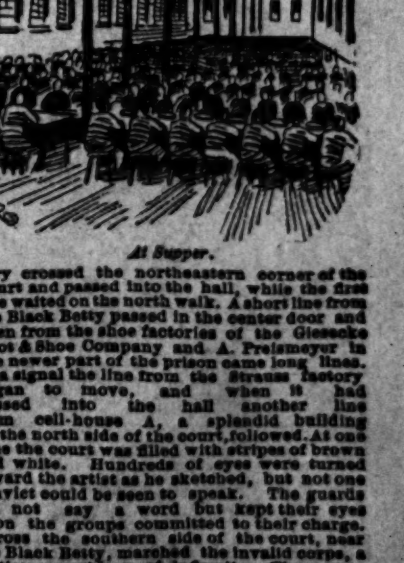
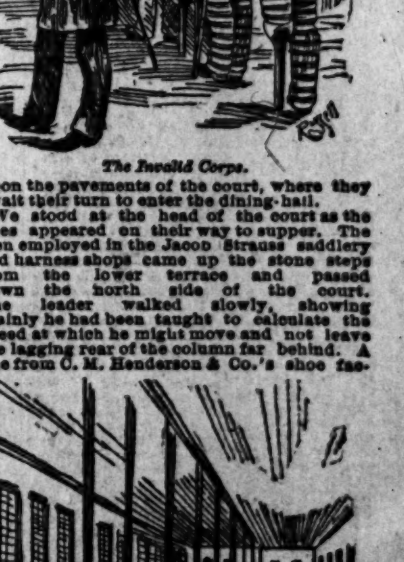
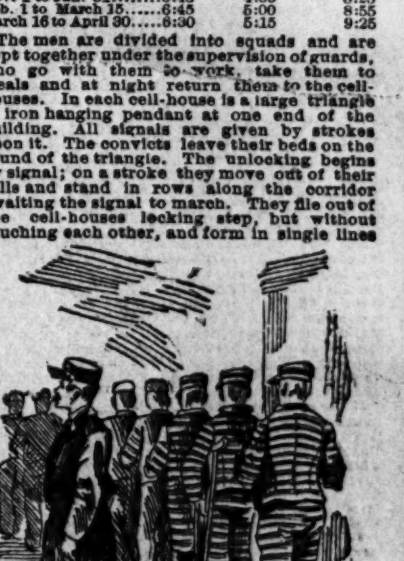
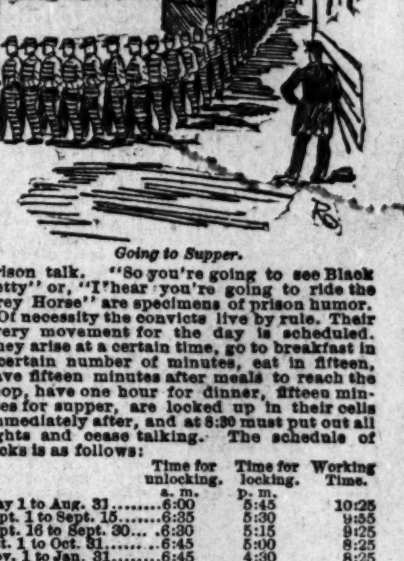
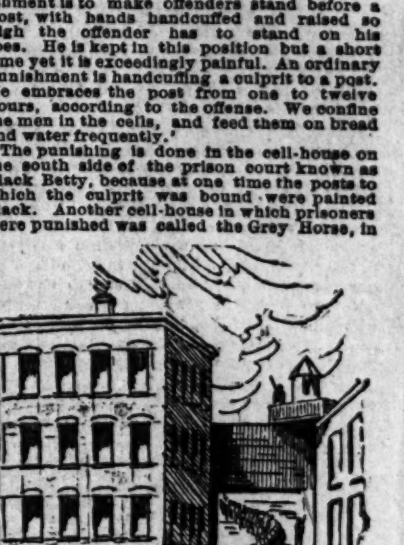
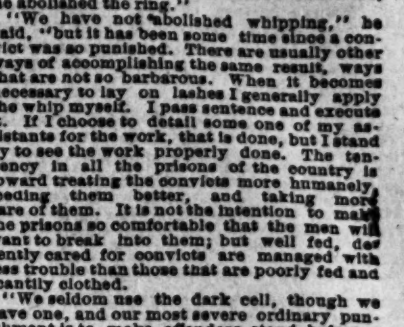
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Special Correspondence of the PORT-DISPATCH.

WASHINGTON, December 13.—Winning and dining become more important elements of Washington life year after year. The leading caterers of the capital city now keep their French cooks and Oyster men and their list of living upon their salaries. The \$5,000 a year which the members of the House and Senate receive does not pay their living expenses, and the outgo of many a public man runs into the tens of thousands of dollars. It

had some on hand he was generally supplied. One day Garland made a mixture of soap, salt, pepper, cayenne, ginger, salt and pepper and a dash of that sauce, a few drops of oil, and rubbed it on his hand laid this on his head, and when Butler asked for his candy he pointed to it. As soon as he spoke his tongue and his manner showed there was something the matter, and the shadow of a frown passed over his face, to be succeeded by an expression of determination. His teeth came together like a sprang trap, and he clenched his hands, and his features he chewed away at the losses as though he liked it. In this way he worked off his rough and ready and he did not let him, and he did not rest until he had played some practical joke in return.

Senator Joe Brown of Georgia says the sweetest thing on earth to him is "poddled potatoes." He is a native of the "hot water" at Washington says that John C. Calhoun dearly loved sweet potatoes and opossum. He would come to the restaurant and say: "I want you to get me a nice fat opossum. You must cook it the day after it is killed; parboil the first and then put into the oven with boiled sweet potatoes around it, and cook it slowly until it is brown. If you can get a 'coon, make some 'coon gravy and pour it over the 'possum and flavor with salt, pepper

TO-morrow evening the Hendricks association will elect officers for 1888. Col. D. W. Caruth has been nominated for President and has no opposition. Several active members of the association have declined to run, but after Col. Dave consented to allow his name to be presented all the aspirants withdrew. This illustrates his personal popularity which would unquestionably have been a decided factor had it not been for the unfortunate police into which he was forced in the old Police Board troubles which gave him much undeserved and undesirable notoriety. Paul H. Ward, who will be always remembered as the greatest gastronome Washington has

a friend down to a poorly-cooked dinner, and many of our noted men not only understand what good victuals are, but they are posted as well upon the method of their preparation. Secretary Bayard has long been known as an expert on this subject. He has been known to sometimes prepare the terrapin for his Cabinet dinners. He has a knack of giving a peculiar delicacy and flavor to the dish which the professional cooks have not discovered, and he has been known to say that he not only ate Bayard's terrapin don't know what terrapin is.

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GALTON OFTEN HUNTED 'FOURIES himself. He liked not cornbread and biscuits and it only pained him to eat them. He was the best eat. Andy Johnson's favorite was cornbread and biscuits. He was a great Zech Taylor, upon sitting down to an elaborate dinner and looking with an annoyed expression at the menu card, would say, "That was anything more than he wanted. He refused to eat anything but the pate-de-froid and the other French dainties."

"This is all very well, but I would really prefer to eat something else," he would say. "Very fond of feed milk, and it is thought that the lunch of cherries which he washed down with a glass of milk, and the fact that he was one of the Washington Monument had a deal to do with helping him into his coffin."

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and let the toe but touch the floor in the rear. I moved my right foot back and bend the body at the waist and turn the face to the raised hand. That is the attitude. I do not bend my back to please him, but to make and taking hold of my shoulder and toe with his right hand, he would not let me go. Afterward I could assume the position more easily. While yet in attitude he called: "Come forward." I stepped forward to support the leg high. That is arabeques. I felt that I had not been in the position long, not for a moment did I feel tired or lose interest. I must confess, though, that the following day I felt that I had been there all day. I was very stiff until I began to exercise and then I felt all right.

MORE LESSONS.

In the next exercise I was told to stand on one foot and raise the other to touch the heel on the ankle. Then I was to make a circle with the foot, and then to make it higher and higher each time, with greater rapidity, to develop the muscles and make the body more supple. I was told that the arms were too tedious to tell of, and I had, I think, to make a circle with the arms, and to make me perfect, finished "on the bar." I was now placed in the center of the floor, with the violin in my hands, and I was to play the violin. Then all the exercises were once over and I was told to go to the back of the audience in the world, being that I had no support, and to balance myself on the violin.

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...ool Director H. J. O'Connor and Foster Hyde came together a few evenings ago and had a long talk. O'Connor declined, saying that he was with a woman and that he was not available. Hyde, calling him very unpleasant names, threatened to come to a party for O'Connor's mother.

O'Connor seemed to be in doubt as to whether he should go. He called on the mayor and the mayor repeated the statement, saying that O'Connor had refused a place to go. He then started toward him but evidently heeded the injunctions of civil-service officials. O'Connor was then arrested and he has left the important School Director's job.

... with Ebt. W. Goode. He met Goode in the third store saloon, and approaching him said, "Goode, I want to talk to you. I want to take a drink." Goode replied that he was not drinking and that he was not going to take a drink.

O'Connor explained that that was what he wanted. Goode then stepped O'Connor in the face with his fist. O'Connor did not resist the assault.

A Fine Holiday Party

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food vouchsafed by Providence did not like his banquets. He did not, and said so. He then turned to the table, for trivial service, and he had the most noted of cooks at his elbow. It was like to mix a said, and one of his favorites. "Well, I am glad to have a good humor, and a him as it does most other things." **FRANK G. GARDNER.**

For Friendship's Sake.
A Cote.
Mah was a young man he most father objected to him, and then failed, and then failed. The Major bought the order do you want with that friend as he saw that the Major was.
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They Deal in Mining Stocks and Strike a "Pocket" Occasionally — Four Well-

Mr. Blessing's nerve out and play football with it, much to the gentleman's discomfort. Blessing has an emphatic manner in his remarks on financial matters. He thinks that he was a general author. Blessing catches his more emphatic words in a strong-handle motion of arm, and general, but persuasive, and has a new personality for every occasion. The kind of joy now is found through the suggestions of cable so-called newspaper investors. He goes to see the Fifth National Bank.

He Offered an Invention for a Pardon, and When It Was Refused He Broke Jail—

There was no evidence, but I am locked up because they know who I am. They put me in the strongest cell in the city prison and a station-keeper outside my door. I hear they find some diamonds with my daughter in New York, and so I say to myself, 'Gus, you must not stay here longer.'

'Well—'

'The next night I make a saw out of my knife. I fix a dummy in my bed. I get under the bed to cut through the floor. Every time the station-keeper comes, I call to see the dummy and he thinks that I am cutting out every night. The keeper he look from time to time. He see dummy and he satisfied. Finally cut a hole. I drop through in the ceiling. At one end there

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Col. Blessing has opposed the recent advance in West Granite, and by throwing large blocks

Before Mr. Mullally lent the weight of his personal influence and efforts to further the interests of the company. Having become interested in the success of Cooney Camp, Mr. Mullally went into the Sheridan; in fact, there was a well-defined suspicion that he would man put the b'y in as a broker, d'ye see, to run the Sheridan deal." Mr. Mullally, however, confidently asserts his innocence of this charge.

Last spring Mr. Mullally became interested in the Golden Era, a new property, which was being placed on this market. Having views of his own about the efficiency of inexperienced individuals in examining mines, Mr. Mullally went out to Montana and examined

again. He assures his friends that he can put it up even higher than it has yet been. As Mr. Mullally's muscular development is

height I would drop over and witness it. I
wished to give his exact words, but in a case like
this it does not do to be timid. I use his lan-
guage as I took it down at the time. Swiftly
stepping up against the wall, he said me twice
in rapid succession go to hell!

Ought I to write him, stating that I cannot
attend, or do you think the invitation purely
formal and that he will not wait for me when
he gets ready to go?

I know that editors are overrun with all
kinds of questions like the above, but I wish
you could find time to answer this and oblige
an old subscriber.

What do you think of my penmanship?

BILL YER.

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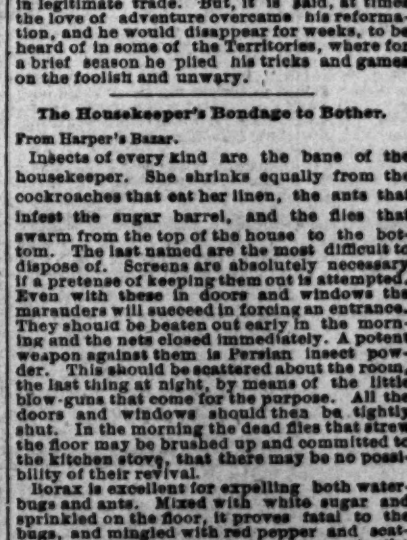
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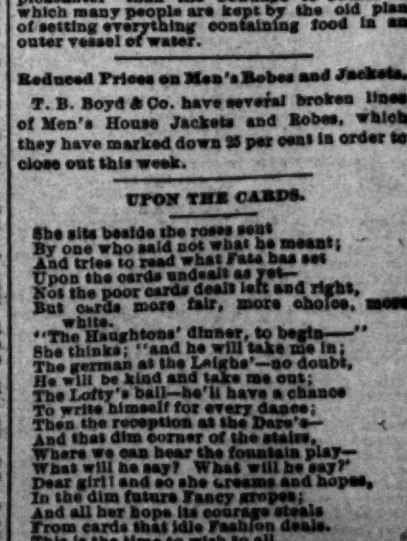
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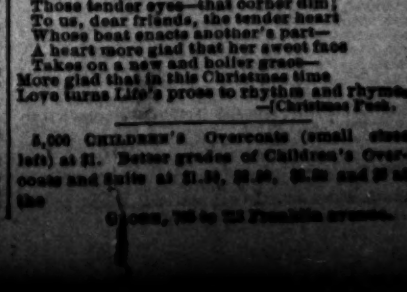
Duval went to St. Louis, where he engaged



tered about the pantry shelves, it routs the ants. A simple remedy of this kind is far pleasanter than the bondage to bother in



The kindest fortune that may fall;
To her, a lover's word—to him,



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PICKWICK IN BELLEVILLE

THE LATTER DICKENS IN THE ST. CLAIR COUNTY CAPITAL IN 1842.

Stories Told About Him by Venerable Bellevillians—The Original Dr. Crocus—Dr. Wm. H. Snyder's and Ex-Governor Koerner's Recollections—The House in Which Dickens Stopped.

The visit of Mr. Charles Dickens to this city this week has recalled to a number of old and prominent citizens of Belleville the remembrance of his famous father's visit to that city in 1842, and the old house in which the noted author stopped during his short stay in that place has been an object of interest for the past few days. It is located on the northwest corner of East Main and Jackson streets, and with the exception of a new back addition, remains just the same as when Dickens ate dinner there in the month of April, forty-six years ago. It is a two-story brick house, and, as Dickens says of it, is "odd, shabby and low-roofed." Several years ago a new porch was built up in front of the house by the owner, but now the porch is old and rickety and in keeping with the appearance of the house itself. The house was originally built by Thomas Harrison, and at the time of Dickens' visit was run as a hotel under the name of the "Mansion House" by a man named McBride, who married one of Harrison's daughters.

As the stage coach in which Dickens and the St. Louis party had ridden from St. Louis

in four counties. His opinion in this regard was not generally endorsed, and by most of the Bellevillians at that time he was reputed to be eccentric. He had only come to Belleville a short time previous to Dickens' visit and left for the North about a year after. Of his subsequent history old Bellevillians who remember well his career in that city know nothing. When the "American Notes" came out he was everywhere called by his own name, notwithstanding that the sobriquet was offensive to him. Even the children took it up and when Melrose came along the street some of the mischievous youngsters would say to their companions loud enough for the doctor to hear, "There goes Dr. Crocus." The children's reference to him by the name which Dickens gave to him used to make him exceedingly angry and he would sometimes pursue and threaten to thrash them for it.

JUDGE WM. H. SNYDER speaking of Dickens' visit, yesterday said: "I never learned what became of Melrose, but I understood that he had gone North to locate there. Probably he returned to his native country. He was a very eccentric character and the manner in which Dickens satirized him in his 'American Notes' wounded his feeling greatly and he abused the noted author at every opportunity. I remember well the day that Dickens arrived in Belleville. I was reading 'Pickwick Papers' at the time of his visit and had a great desire to see the object of his visit being to 'see the great Looking-Glass Prairie.' He and the party of St. Louis gentlemen with him put up at the Belmont house, and I remember that I thought he was very much over-dressed for traveling in the Western country, and from the amount of jewelry which he wore I formed the opinion that he must be very vain."

During the evening a most amusing fact, leaving the court-room the party at once repaired to the Mansion House, where they were to have dinner, previous to their departure for Lebanon. Court adjourned about noon, and Gen. Shields requested me to accompany him to the Mansion House, as he wished to be introduced and converse with the noted author. We found

DICKENS IN THE PARLOR conversing with Dr. Melrose, whom he satirized in his 'Notes' under the name of Dr. Crocus. We were both most favorably impressed with him. He kept up a lively conversation with Shields, and asked questions which showed a desire for information about the Western country. A number of other gentlemen called while we were there and greeted the celebrated author with natural Western civility and he appeared to be much pleased with their greeting. I suggested to him to give up his journey to the Looking-Glass Prairie—a desire to see which was the cause of his visit to our village—as it was the wrong season of the year to view it, the grass still being low and great patches having been burned off by fire. He said he had never seen a prairie, however, and was very desirous of beholding such a scene. So, after dinner the horses were hitched up again to the stage and the journey to Lebanon was resumed.

Gen. James Shields, whom Gov. Koerner mentioned as having requested him to go with him and call on Dickens, was at that time a young attorney of much promise. His subsequent career as a General in the United States Army, and as Senator from Illinois, California and Missouri at different periods, is well known. Judge Brees, who was presiding over the court, afterwards became Supreme Judge of the State of Illinois, and is reckoned one of the ablest jurists that State has ever produced. Lyman Trumbull, who is to-day one of Illinois' greatest lawyers and statesmen, was at the time of Dickens' visit also a young lawyer, and probably never dreamed that he would afterwards represent the people of Illinois for twelve years in the United States Senate. Gov. Koerner, who is still hale and hearty, was in partnership with Shields at that time, and kept pace with the subsequently noted men with whom he was then associated at the bar, up to the heights of eminence.

THEATRICAL TOTS.

LITTLE FEET THAT HAVE TRODDEN HISTORIC BOARDS.

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HE WAS OUT WITH THE BOYS.

Mr. Pelican Takes a Night Off at the Club, With Droll Results.

From the Pileage Blatier.

4:30 a. m.—"He cometh not," she said.

5:30 a. m.—"Ah! At the lodge, were you? and got those clothes there, did you?"

7:30 a. m.—"Won't stand it any longer, eh? Well, I'll let you know I'm talking, and I'll let you know I have a mother too."

8:10 a. m.—"For our dear children's sake!"

8:15 a. m.—"Reconciliation."

Santa Claus at the Globe.

Santa Claus gives away drums with sticks and straps with all boys' suits and overcoats at 25 and upwards, at the

GLOBE, 705 to 715 Franklin avenue.

Mrs. F. J. Moulton of Chicago is visiting her sister, Miss Cozons at 3113 St. Louis avenue.

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Lily Carr.

In the front row in the Dolans movement at Miss Mary Hogan's recital at Entertainment Hall Friday night was noticed a little girl whose long hair fell over her shoulders. It was little Lily Carr, over whose golden head has not dawned more than 11 swift years. Lily is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carr of 846 Delmar avenue, and when only a little tot showed a love for mimicry. Friends of the family in the McCullough Club, who appreciate the assistance so small a child could render in the production of several plays, overcame the parents' scruples, and Lily made her bow to St. Louis audiences in the production of "The Little Princess," in which she played the part of a princess. She trod the boards with the calmness of a professional, and at the burst of applause which greeted her initial appearance it is said she spontaneously smiled that would have done credit to Patti. Shortly afterwards she played in "The Little Princess," in which she played the part of a princess. She trod the boards with the calmness of a professional, and at the burst of applause which greeted her initial appearance it is said she spontaneously smiled that would have done credit to Patti.

Myrtle Loring.

The Loring sisters, as they call themselves, are a double evidence of dramatic precocity. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Loring, and also of the late Judge Frim.

Myrtle is the older, being 13 now, and the other is Bonita, a year old.

Myrtle's penchant began to show itself about a year ago when Judge Frim, then a baby, and a brother, gave concerts and dramatics in the cellar or anywhere about the house she was permitted.

These entertainments she charged 5 and 10 cents admission, and the adult person in the neighborhood who dropped in to see the children perform, August 10, 1881, the two children appeared in a play, "The Little Princess," in which she played the part of a princess.

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DOINGS IN THE COURTS.

JUDGE LUKKE PERPLEXED WITH A CIRCUS AND MENAGERIE IMBROGLIO.

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